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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the references that are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue there from.

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This IDS is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and a Petition to Revive an Application Abandoned Unintentionally.

Accordingly, Applicants believe there are no fees due for the IDS, however should any fees be deemed necessary for submission of this IDS, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0359 of ArthroCare Corporation.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512-391-3961.

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